

State Department
Austin 17 April 1850

Hon. James B. Shaw
Comptroller

Upon an examination of the Books of this Department, I find that James Reily Esq^r was appointed Charge d' Affairs of the Republic of Texas to the United States on the 28 Dec^r 1841; and was again appointed to the same Office on the 16 Oct 1844. There is no evidence, so far as I can find, of the time when his services under either of those appointments terminates. The last letter which he appears to have written while at Washington under the first appointment bears date Aug^r 16. 1842, but there is a letter dated "Houston 12 Dec^r 1842" which appears to have covered the Copy of a Treaty negotiated by him at Washington - This Copy seems to have been ^{the duplicate} ~~forwarded~~ of one originally forwarded ~~had~~ early in the previous September -

In reference to his ~~last~~ ^{second} appointment, the last letter I find upon the books, is one addressed to him as Charge d' affairs by the Secretary of State on the 9th Dec^r 1844 -

I have the Honor to be
Your Obed^r Serv^r.
James Webb
Secretary